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REMARKS

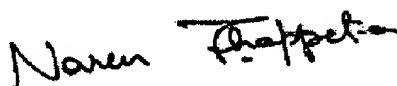
Claims 1-36 were examined in the outstanding final office action mailed on 06/15/2005 (hereafter "Outstanding Office Action"). Claims 1-4, 9-13, 18-28 and 33-36 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being unpatentable over United States Patent Application 6,424,629 naming as inventor Rubino et al (hereafter "Rubino"), and claims 5-8, 14-17, and 29-32 were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent format. Applicants thank the Examiner again for indication of the allowable subject matter.

In response, claims 1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 21, 23, 25, 27, and 30 are sought to be amended and claims 2, 5, 11, 14, 22, 26, 29 and 33-36 are sought to be canceled. The amendments and cancellations are believed not to introduce new matter and their entry is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-10, 12, 15-21, 23-25, 27, 28 and 30-32 are thus presented for consideration.

Independent claims 1, 10, and 25 are respectively amended to include the features of allowable claims 5, 14, 33 (including any intervening base claims). Independent claim 12 is also sought to be amended along the lines of claim 1. Accordingly, all independent claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. The remaining presented claims are also allowable at least depending from a corresponding allowable base claim.

Thus, all the claims presented for consideration are believed to be in condition for allowance. It is therefore respectfully requested that the case be passed to issuance in due course. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned representative if it is believed that an interview might be useful for any reason.

Respectfully submitted,



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